under the provisions of the new Act. Some of the Committees sent up the lists to Government for preliminary publication.

(x) Amelioration of the condition of the Depressed Classes.

289. A sum of Rs. 19 lakhs was sanctioned for the scheme of amelioration of the condition of the depressed classes. A sum of Rs. 18,14,607 was spent for the purpose. During the year, 180 acquisition cases were sanctioned and 5,953 houses were constructed in several parts of the State with the help of Government subvention. A sum of Rs. 4,800 was spent for the construction of Bhajana Mandirs for the use of depressed class people. An extent of 15,302 acres and 15 guntas of lands was granted to 1,562 depressed class applicants in the State.

290. Encouragement was accorded to the Kannada weekly journal "Panchajanya" which is dedicated to the social and educational advancement of the Harijans by purchasing copies at a cost of Rs. 12,000 for distribution among the members of the depressed classes.

(xi) Bangalore City Improvement Trust Board.

291. The Bangalore City Improvement Trust Board which was located in "Ranga Vilas" building in Seshadri Road was shifted to No. 2 Cubbon Road, Bangalore 1 on 1st November 1951. The Board continued the schemes that were in progress last year and formulated some new schemes for the improvement and expansion of Bangalore City.

292. The strength of the Board continued to be 11 including the Chairman. Consequent on the election of the Corporators to the Corporation, four new Trustees were elected by the Corporation to the Board. The Board was reconstituted in October 1951. Fifteen meetings were held and 856 subjects were dealt with during the year.

293. An enactment amending the City of Bangalore Improvement Act was passed and the main features of the amendment are:—

1. Enhancement of powers of the Board and the Chairman, under Section 10;

2. Levy of Betterment Tax under Section 18.

3. Permitting Private Layouts under Section 25.

Industrial Suburb, North Zone.

294. The new allotment Committee consisting of five members was constituted by Government in February 1952.

295. The revised estimate for the Factory area (North Zone) in the Industrial Suburb (Rajajinagar) for Rs. 14,30,536 was under consideration. Out of 34 factory sites allotted, only 13 were taken up. The outlay on the scheme was Rs. 3,65,505 bringing the total outlay up-to-date to Rs. 11,40,156.

296. The realisation during the year was Rs. 67,695 bringing the total realisation to Rs. 4,79,755.

Industrial Suburb South Zone.

297. An estimate amounting to Rs. 2,50,170 for laying out a residential extension was under consideration. There is a great demand for housing in this area and the scheme covers an extent of 230 acres.

Residential Extensions.

298. Work in connection with the Jayanagar Extension was continued during the year. Out of 6,000 sites to be formed, 2,500 sites were ready for allotment. Of these, 48 Bungalow sites and 99 other sites were allotted during the year bringing to a total of 82 bungalow sites and 1,328 other sites allotted so far. The amount realised by the sale of these sites was Rs. 11,25,589. The total outlay till the end of the year was Rs. 44,35,133. Formation of roads in the western section was completed to an extent of about 90 per cent.

299. *Housing Area in Industrial suburb.*—A revised estimate for the scheme amounting to Rs. 40,35,800 providing for 3,387 sites was under the consideration of Government.

300. Since there was great demand for sites in the extension of Kumara park locality, a scheme for further extension by the acquisition of the properties of Rajah of Venkatagiri was taken up at an estimated cost of Rs. 99,000. The question of acquiring some more properties at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,34,810 for laying out some more sites in this locality was under consideration.

Kumara Park West Extension.—Being the centre of the City, this is a very popular extension. The total outlay up to the end of the year amounted to Rs. 5,60,622.

301. The layout behind Sri Ramakrishna Mutt was sanctioned for providing 82 sites of large dimensions. After further consideration, the Board resolved to modify the layout with a view to provide a larger number of sites of smaller dimensions and constructing houses for Middle and Lower Middle Class people. A revised scheme was under preparation during the year.

302. The Wilson Garden Extension was originally formed by the Public Works Department. Only about 100 sites were formed by the Trust Board during the year.

303. The Vyalikaval Extension scheme was sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs. 9,20,770. The extension was presenting considerable difficulty on account of a large number of unauthorised sheds and configuration of the country. With a view to provide as many sites as possible for the slum-hut-dwellers, a modified layout for the portion occupied by these huts at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,61,100 was under consideration.

304. For the Jayamahal Extension scheme, a revised estimate at a cost of Rs. 8,81,000 was sanctioned. One hundred and seventeen sites were formed and were available for disposal. The sites were not advertised for allotment, since water supply and underground drainage had not yet been provided.

305. Construction of "D" type houses in Kumara Park West was completed at an estimated cost of Rs. 4,19,000 and all these houses were disposed of during the year.

306. Fifty two tenemental quarters constructed in Kumara Park were also disposed of.

307. The total amount realised by sale of buildings constructed by the Board was Rs. 5,66,845 at theend of the year.

308. A scheme for the construction of 200 houses for displaced persons was under active consideration. Fifty three houses were nearing completion during the year.

309. A scheme for the construction of 656 labour quarters in the Industrial Suburb for housing the Industrial Labour was sanctioned. Construction of 60 blocks of 4 units each was nearing completion during the year. The outlay during the year was Rs. 1,82,467 making a total of Rs. 3,41,590 at the end of the year.

310. The construction of houses for middle and lower middle Classs in various parts of the City in conjunction